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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required.

Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27

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Also attached: Graph (Appendix 1)

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Total Claims	20	20	0	\$50.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	4	3	1	\$200.00 =	\$200.00
		Multiple dependent claims newly presented			\$0.00
Fee for extension of time				\$0.00	
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